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Seattle Commission for People with disAbilities Monthly Meeting

Thursday, February 17, 2011, 4:30 - 6:00 p.m.
Seattle City Hall Boards and Commissions Room

Commissioners Present: Mark Adreon, Joshua Caple, Patricia Copeland, Vickie Foster, Laura Gramer, Mary Beth Lum, Sheely Mauck, Saron McKee, Erica Sekins, Gary Stobbe, Deborah Witmer, Sara Woody

Commissioner Regrets: Rebecca C. Cory, John Denooyer, Hope Drummond

Commissioners by Phone: Charlene Curtiss

SOOCR Staff Present: Felicia Yearwood, Nolan Lim

Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 4:31

Approval of Minutes: January 2011 minutes were approved as read

SOOCR Report: Nolan Lim
The enforcement division will begin a fair housing testing program, which will include disability testing. Commissioners are asked to attend the arrest records forum in March.

Guest Speakers

Allison Schwartz reported that SDOT has decided to limit its pilot project to just the downtown area. Jane Hell explained SPD's practices to combat unlawful use of disabled placards.

Committee Reports:

- Education: Meets on 2nd Wednesdays

Erica presented a brief training on disability terminology

- Outreach: Meets on 4th Thursdays at 5:30 p.m.

The committee has secured the Northgate Library for the full Commission meeting in March. Kevin Carey, Chairman of the Royal National Institute for the Blind is available as a speaker on May 26th.

MOTION: To create a listserv using Seattle4All as the address. ACTION: PASSED

- Issues: Meets 2nd Thursdays, 5:00 p.m., City Hall Room 370

- Parking Report:

MOTION: to include language such as “includes but not limited to” in the section listing recommendations. ACTION: PASSED

MOTION: to include language indicating need for discussion of free parking for people with disabilities. ACTION: FAILED

- Trans Insurance:

MOTION: to sign on to the letter drafted by the LGBT Commission. ACTION: PASSED

- Housing: Wellness Checks: Meeting with Tom Tierney on March 10th
- Transit Master Plan: Sara to follow up with Tony Mazella
- Metro Fare Increases: the committee will follow up with Tony Mazella and Metro to determine whether any relief from high fare increases can be made available

New Business

The Mayor will attend the Commission's April meeting to hear about the work plan. Co-Chairs will present the work plan to City Council on April 6th

Announcement

Tim Shockley announced the Accessibility Camp on May 20th and 21st. More details will be distributed via email

The March meeting will be held at the Northgate Library

Five Commission meeting scheduled for March 9th 5:30 p.m. in City Hall Bertha Knight Landes Room.

Meeting adjourned at 6:01 p.m.